Losses suffered by State Handloom Corporations

327. DR. M.A.M. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that some State Handloom Corporations are incurring heavy losses;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Central Government have recently taken steps to help some of these handloom corporations and particularly the Karnataka State Handloom Development Corporation;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the other steps taken to rejuvenate the other Handloom Corporations in the country?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI SHANKERSINH VAGHELA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. So far we have received information from the Government of Andhra Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Orissa, Kerala, West Bengal and Maharashtra stating that the State Level Handloom Corporations/Apex Societies as mentioned under are running on losses:

(1) Andhra Pradesh State Handloom Weavers Cooperative Society (APCO), Andhra Pradesh.

(2) U.P State Handloom Corporation Ltd., Uttar Pradesh.

(3) U.P. Industrial Cooperative Association, Uttar Pradesh.

(4) Tamil Nadu Handloom Weavers Cooperative Society (COOPTEX), Tamil Nadu.

(5) Maharashtra State Handloom Corporation (INDRAYANI), Maharashtra.

(6) Kerala State Handloom Weavers Cooperative Society (HANTEX), Kerala.

(7) Orissa State Handloom Weavers Cooperative Society (BOYANIKA), Orissa.

(8) West Bengal State Handloom Weavers Cooperative Society Ltd. (TANTUJA), West Bengal.

(9) Karnataka State Handloom Development Corporation (KHDC), Karnataka.

(c) to (e) Under the strengthening of handloom organization component of the Deen Dayal Hathkargha Protsahan Yojana (DDHPY), assistance is released with a view to making the National/State Level Handloom Organizations viable by enhancing their credit limit/working capital. In order to avail assistance for this component, the organization must first improve their viability by streamlining their business policies and rationalizing their manpower. The assistance under this component is shared equally between the Centre and the State. Assistance under this component is released in instalments, 1 st as an advance and the subsequent releases on submission of utilization certificate, progress report, release of State share to the implementing agency etc. On the basis of viable projects received from the States, the following organizations have been sanctioned assistance under this component so far:—

(Rs. in crore)

Sl. No.	Name of the Organization	Project Cost	Central assistance sanctioned	Central assistance released
1.	Andhra Pradesh State Handloom Weavers Cooperative Society Ltd., AP	40.00	20.00	20.00
2	U.P. State Handloom Corporation	40.00	20.00	5.00
3.	Tamil Nadu Handloom Weavers Cooperative Society Ltd	39.50	19.75	9.88
4.	Karnataka State Handloom Corpon.	40.00	20.00	10.00

Jobs in textile sector

328. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that textile industry is expected to double production in 4 years and capture 15 per cent of the global textile trade